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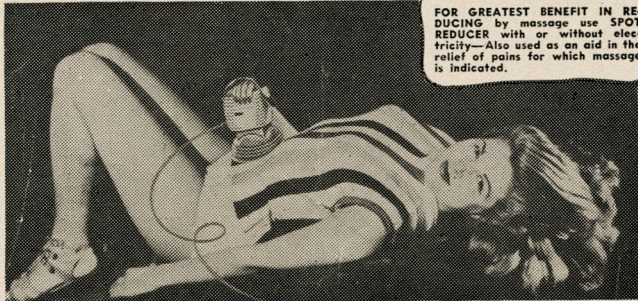
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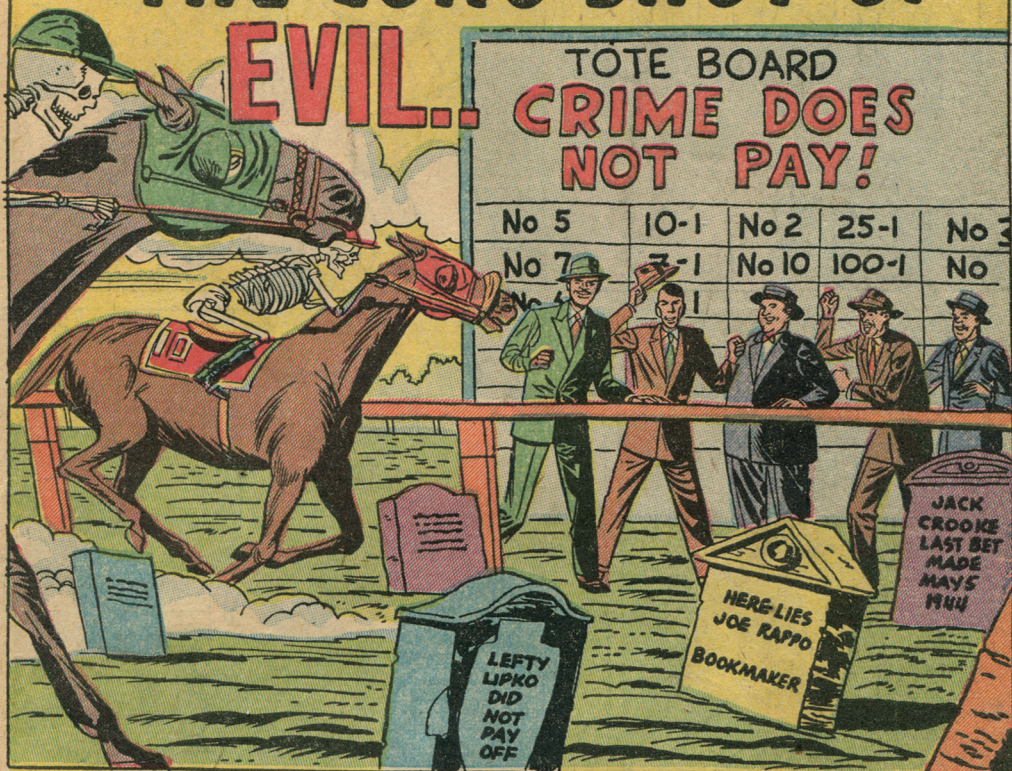
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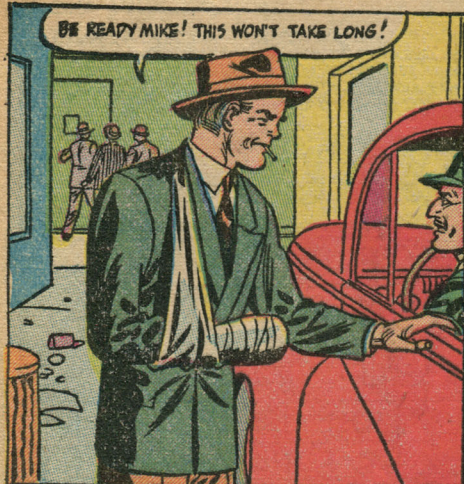
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THE LONG SHOT OF EVIL..







THE "BOOK ROOM" OPERATOR IS NOT ANXIOUS TO GIVE INFORMATION!

OKAY MOSS! LUCKILY NO ONE WAS KILLED--BUT THIS COULD STILL MEAN A TWO YEAR STRETCH FOR YOU

GIVE ME A BREAK SCOTTY! THE DOOR WAS CLOSED...HONEST. I NEVER SAW THE GUYS!



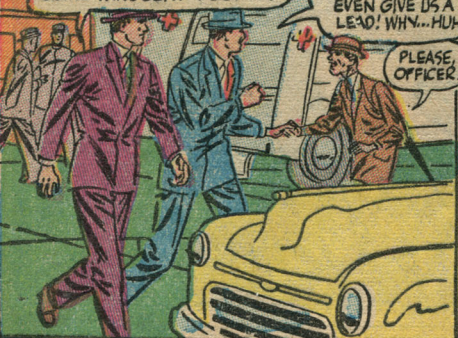
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THE BOOKIE IS SMALL TIME! THE REAL DOUGH IS ON THE BACK BAR... HURRY IT UP!

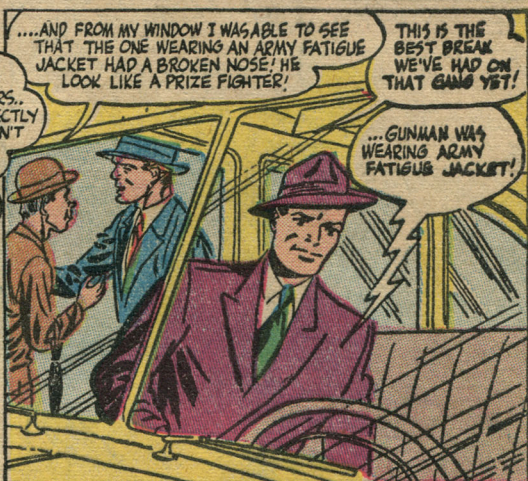
UNMINDFUL OF THE GANG'S SECOND STRIKE-- THE DETECTIVES CONTINUE TO PIECE CLUES TOGETHER!

THAT GANG IS A BUNCH OF POTENTIAL KILLERS! THEY MIGHT BE LUCKY NEXT TIME AND REALLY KILL SOME INNOCENT PEOPLE!

AND THOSE GAMBLER CHARACTERS.. WHO WERE INDIRECTLY PROTECTING.. WONT EVEN GIVE US A LEAD! WHN...HUH



PLEASE OFFICER!



....AND FROM MY WINDOW I WAS ABLE TO SEE THAT THE ONE WEARING AN ARMY FATIGUE JACKET HAD A BROKEN NOSE! HE LOOK LIKE A PRIZE FIGHTER!

THIS IS THE BEST BREAK WE'VE HAD ON THAT GANG YET!

...GUNMAN WAS WEARING ARMY FATIGUE JACKET!



...AND THE FIRING SEEMED TO BE COMING FROM HIS BANDAGED HAND.... OOF!

THEY KNOCKED OFF ANOTHER BOOKMAKER!

ANOTHER JOINT, AND THEY GOT A PARLAY!



ARRIVING AT THE SPOT...THE DETECTIVES FIND THE BOOKMAKER DYING!

NO--GASP!--REASON FOR SHOOTING ME. PUNK WITH BROKEN NOSE... HE--OHHH...

HE'S DEAD!

THE GUNMAN KNOWING WHERE THE EXTRA BAR MONEY WAS KEPT--TELLS DETECTIVE BURNS IT WAS AN INSIDE JOB!

NO SENSE TAKING THE BARTENDER--HE WON'T TALK!--ONE OF THE GANG MUST HAVE WORKED HERE--AND THESE PHONE NUMBERS WRITTEN ON THE BOOTH WALL MAY LEAD US TO SOMEONE!

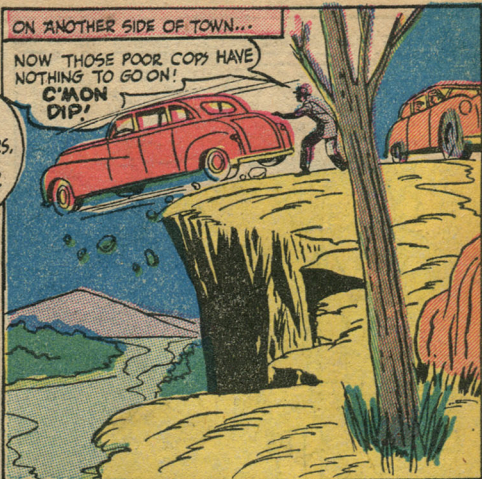
GOOD LEAD, SCOTTY! I'M TAKING MR. LEWIS HOME--AND THEN I'LL BE AT HEADQUARTERS, TO SEE IF WE HAVE ANYTHING ON A SOLDIER WITH A BROKEN NOSE



ON ANOTHER SIDE OF TOWN...

NOW THOSE POOR COPS HAVE NOTHING TO GO ON!

C'MON DIP!



BACK AT HEADQUARTERS...

WE'VE CHECKED EVERY PHONE NUMBER ON THE WALL OF THAT BOOTH! ONE LEAD HAS COME IN--ONE OF THE TELEPHONE NUMBERS BELONGS TO A GAL WHO GOES WITH A PRIZEFIGHTER!

THE "GREASE GUN" WAS ISSUED BY THE ARMY DURING THE HEIGHT OF THE WAR! I'LL HAVE TO CHECK ALL ARMY SEPARATION CENTERS TO SEE IF ANYONE WOULD REMEMBER THIS GUY WITH THE BROKEN NOSE!



TWO DAYS LATER...

YOU LOOK LIKE ONE OF THE BOYS, SCOTTY! THAT SPOT THE GIRL WORKS AT IS A TOUGH PLACE--BE CAREFUL!

TO BAD THE ARMY COULDN'T HELP US... CHECK THAT MURDER ANGLE I TOLD YOU ABOUT...I'LL CALL LATER TONIGHT!

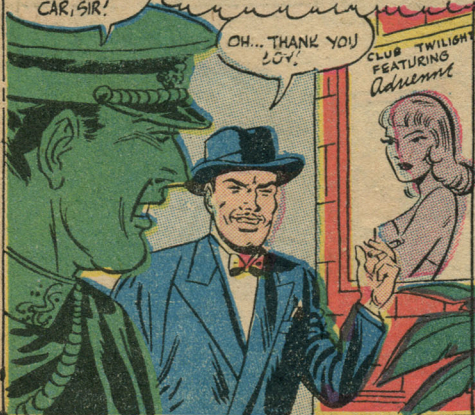


I'LL PARK YOUR CAR, SIR!

ONE SLIP HERE, AND THE WHOLE CASE CAN BLOW UP...AND SO CAN MY HEAD!

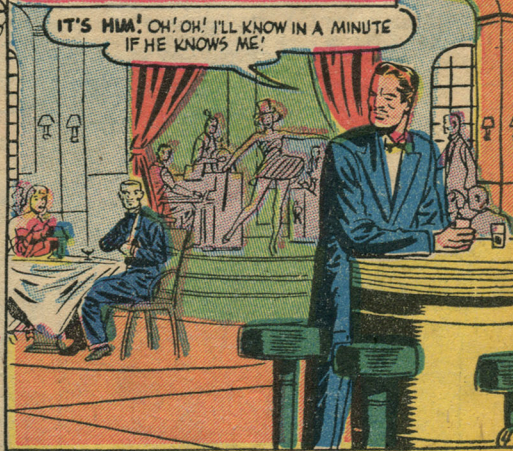
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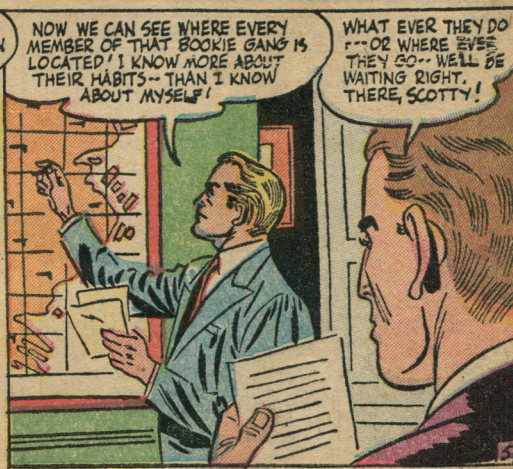
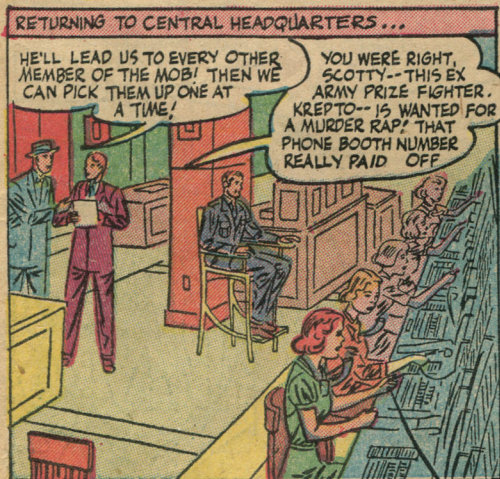
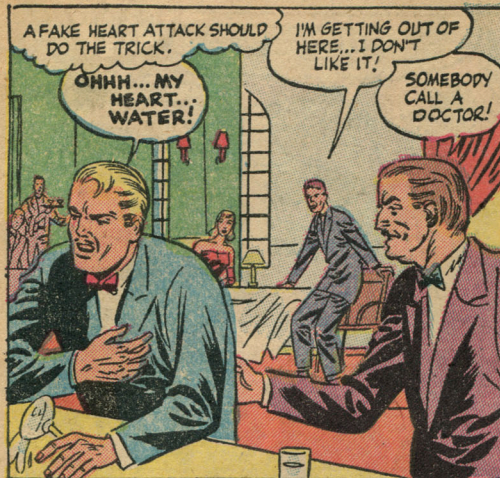
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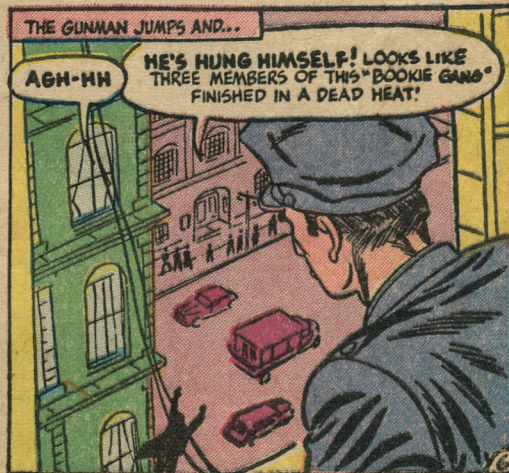
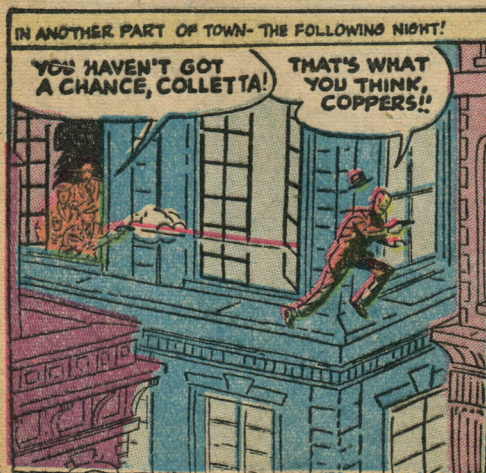


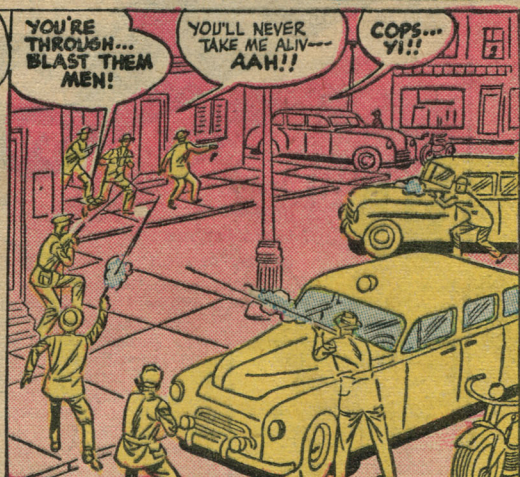
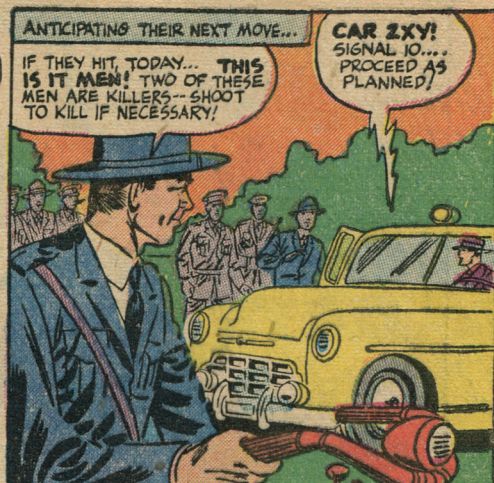
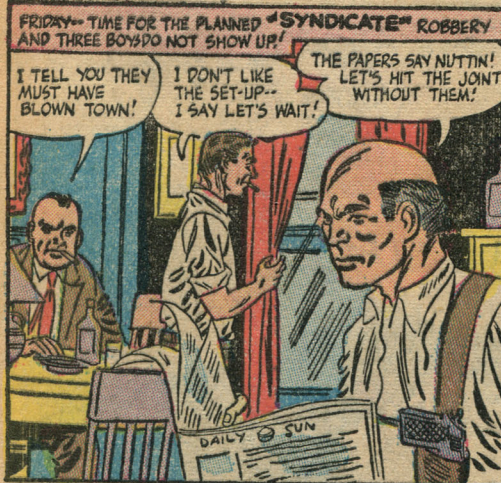
THE MILLION TO ONE SHOT PAYS OFF WHEN...

IT'S HIM! OH! OH! I'LL KNOW IN A MINUTE IF HE KNOWS ME!









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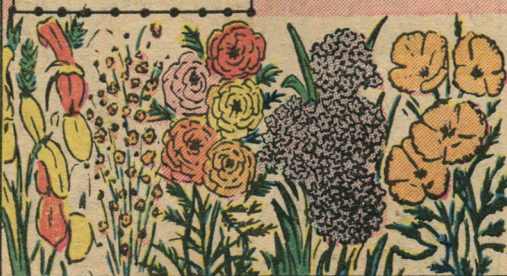
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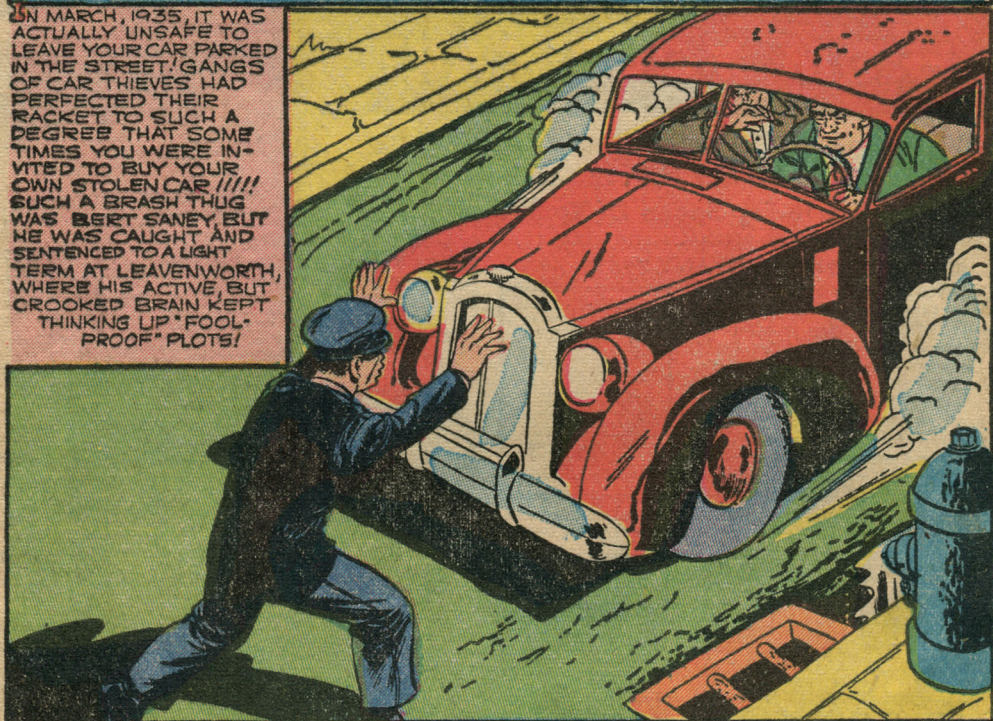
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RECREATION PERIOD AT LEAVENWORTH---
BERT SANEY IS TALKING TO SI GREENE!!!

WE GET OUT OF HERE IN A MONTH!! ARE WE GOING BACK TO THE CAR RACKET?

SURE! IT'S THE EASIEST RACKET IN CHICAGO!! THE TOWN'S WIDE OPEN!!



HEY, FELLAS--DIDYA SEE WHAT'S IN THE PAPERS? I NEVER THOUGHT THEY'D DO IT!!

DO WHAT? WHAT ARE YOU TALKIN' ABOUT? GIVE ME THAT PAPER AND SHUT UP?



NEW LAW PASSED TO STOP CAR THEFTS!!
LAW REQUIRING SELLER TO HAVE A BILL AND TITLE, PROMISES TO PUT AN END TO FREE FIELD CAR THIEVES HAD IN CHICAGO!

WE'RE SUNK!
WHAT DO WE DO NOW?

AND I WAS COUNTIN' ON BUSINESS BEIN' GOOD SO I COULD BUY MAME THAT BRACELET SHE WANTED!

DO YOU THINK THIS IS GONNA STOP ME? DID YA FORGET WHO I AM? I'M BERT SANEY AND NO SILLY LAW'LL STOP ME! I GOT A BRAIN!!

BUT BERT!

KEEP QUIET, JOE!! BERT'LL THINK OF SOMETHIN' --- HE ALWAYS DOES!



AND DON'T YOU FORGET IT, EITHER! NOW, I WANT YOU GUYS TO LEAVE ME ALONE FOR A FEW DAYS, 'CAUSE I GOTTA THINK!!

OKAY BERT!

SURE, BERT!

I DUNNO, IF HE'S SO SMART WHAT ARE WE DOING HERE?

HE COULDN'T HELP IT, IT WAS JUST ONE OF THOSE THINGS. YOU GOTTA ADMIT HE'S SMART! THE GUYS IN CHICAGO DON'T CALL HIM THE BRAIN FOR NOTHING!

By now, car thefts were at a standstill in Chicago and the police were jubilant at having put an end to the lawlessness!!

THEY HAVEN'T PULLED A JOB IN CHICAGO FOR A MONTH! MAYBE WE OUGHT TO GO INTO ANOTHER RACKET!

I'M NOT LICKED YET!! I'M WORKING ON SOMETHIN' RIGHT NOW!!



MEANWHILE AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS, CHICAGO!

NOT A CAR STOLEN IN A MONTH! YOU ARE DOING A FINE JOB AS STATE ATTORNEY, HALL!

THANKS, CAPTAIN! OTHER THAN SOME SILLY KIDS LIFTING A CAR FOR THRILLS, I'M SURE WE WON'T HAVE ANY TROUBLE! THERE'S NO WAY AROUND THAT NEW LAW!!

BUT ATTORNEY HALL DIDN'T TAKE THE AGILE MIND OF BERT SANEY INTO CONSIDERATION WHEN HE SPOKE!!

I GUESS YOU THREE BOYS'LL HAVE TO GO STRAIGHT, NOW THAT YOUR OLD RACKET IS WASHED UP!!

THANKS WARDEN, BUT DON'T SPEAK SO SOON! NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE!

HAW!

SHUT UP, YOU FOOL!



IT SURE FEELS GOOD TO BE OUT, AGAIN! THIS TIME FOR GOOD, I HOPE!!

WHAT'S OUR FIRST MOVE, BERT?

BACK TO CHICAGO TO BUY TWO NEW CARS!

BUY TWO CARS?? FIRST TIME IN MY LIFE I EVER BOUGHT A CAR!!

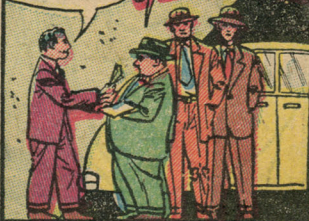
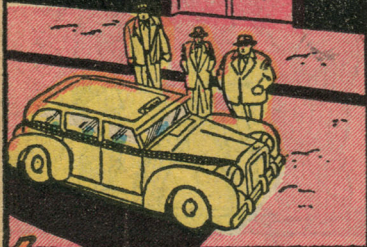
I KNOW, BUT IT'S ALL PART OF MY SYSTEM!

I TOLD YA BERT'D THINKA SOMETHIN'!!

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HERE ARE THE KEYS TO YOUR NEW CARS AND THE BILLS AND TITLES!!! THE NEW LAW, YOU KNOW!!

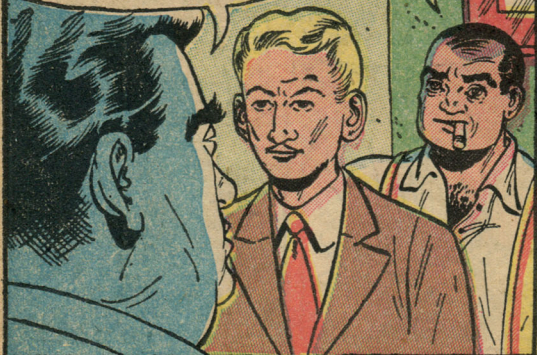
YEAH, I KNOW, MUSTN'T FORGET THE BILLS AND TITLES, I'LL TAKE GOOD CARE OF THEM!!



LATER AT SANEY'S PLACE----

SI, YOU TAKE THE KEYS TO A LOCKSMITH AND HAVE DUPLICATES MADE! AND JOE, YOU SEE IF YOU CAN FIND BUYERS FOR THE CARS!!

IT SHOULDN'T BE HARD! WE'LL GIVE THEM A GOOD PRICE!!



OKAY, BOSS! I'LL HAVE 'EM DONE IN A JIFFY!!

I'LL FIND A COUPLE OF SUCKERS FOR YOU!!



BOTH MISSIONS ACCOMPLISHED, THE CARS WERE EASILY SOLD!!

I'M SURE YOU'LL BE HAPPY WITH YOUR NEW CAR! HERE'S YOUR KEY AND BILL OF SALE, NEW LAW, YOU KNOW! WE WANT TO BE ON THE UP AND UP!!

SURE, THANKS MISTER, IT'S A PLEASURE TO DEAL WITH SUCH A REPUTABLE FIRM!

REPUTABLE FIRM--HAW! WAIT'LL THE POOR SUCKER FINDS OUT WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN! DIDYA GET HIS ADDRESS?

SURE!!! THERE'S ANOTHER SUCKER FOR THE OTHER CAR!

ONCE AGAIN THE FARCE WAS REPEATED! THE DEALS SEEMED LEGITIMATE ENOUGH--SO FAR!!

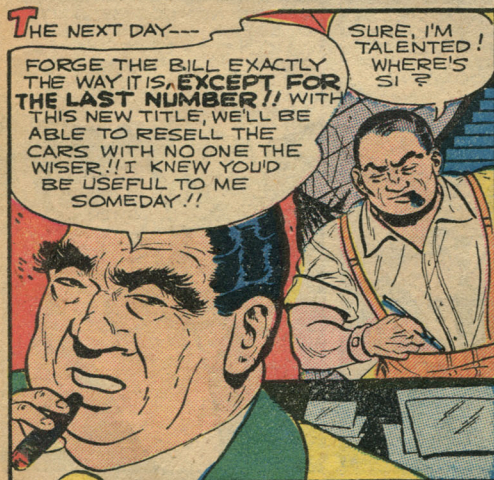
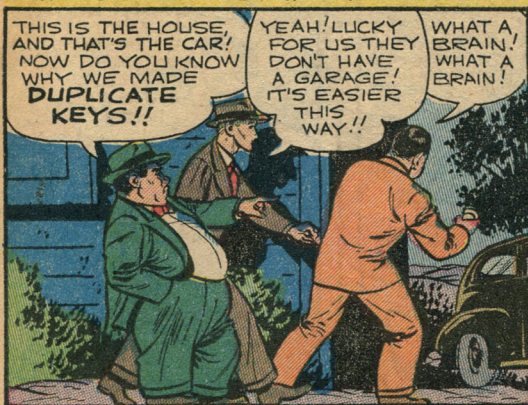
DARLING, IT'S LOVELY! WE'VE WAITED AND SAVED OUR MONEY FOR SO LONG, BUT IT WAS WORTH IT!

IT SURE WAS! I GUESS I'LL TAKE IT!

I'M SURE YOU'LL ENJOY EVERY MINUTE OF IT! DID YOU GIVE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS TO MY MAN?



MAYBE THE YOUNG COUPLE DID ENJOY EVERY MINUTE OF THEIR NEW CAR, BUT THEY HAD VERY FEW MINUTES TO ENJOY IT! FOR THAT NIGHT---



THINGS WERE WORKING SO WELL FOR SANEY, THAT HE BECAME OVER CONFIDENT AND WORKED SO BOLDLY, THAT ALL CHICAGO GASPED AT THE AUDACITY OF THE GANG!!!

GOIN' FOR A WALK, BOSS?

YEAH, AND A RIDE, TOO! I'M GONNA PULL A LITTLE JOB -- I DON'T WANTA LOSE MY TOUCH!



YOU'RE GONNA PULL A JOB IN BROAD DAYLIGHT?

SURE! WATCH ME AN' LEARN! ALL YOU GOT TO DO IS UNLOCK THE CAR AND DRIVE AWAY! LET'S SEE NOW, THAT SUCKER LIVES ON LASALLE STREET!!



HAS HE GONE NUTS? HE'LL SPOIL EVERYTHING!

NAH! JUST LEAVE IT TO BERT! HE KNOWS WHAT HE'S DOING! HE JUST WANTS TO HAVE A LITTLE FUN!!

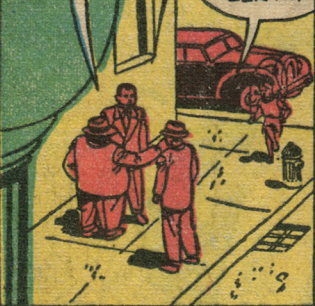


ON LASALLE STREET----

EVERYONE'S EATIN' A BIG SUNDAY DINNER! EXCEPT FOR THAT KID, THE STREET'S EMPTY--

THIS'LL BE A CINCH!

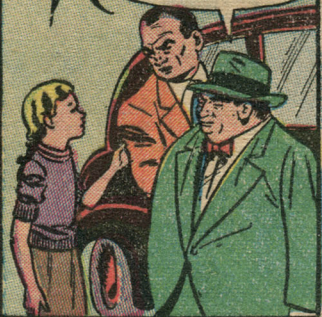
OUR CAR'S THE RED ONE UP AHEAD! YOU SURE HAVE NERVE!! BERT



WHAT'CHA DOIN' MISTER?

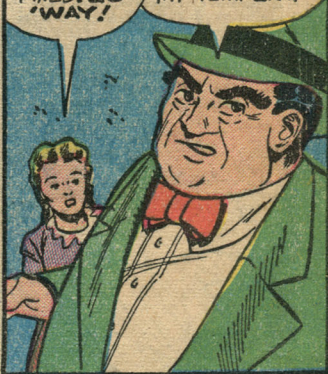
ER-- TAKIN' THE CAR TO BE FIXED! HEY BERT-- MAYBE WE OUGHT--UH--FIX IT TOMORROW!

NO, WE DON'T HAVE TO CHANGE OUR PLANS!!



THAT'S MY DADDY'S CAR! HE DOESN'T WANT IT FIXED! GO 'WAY!

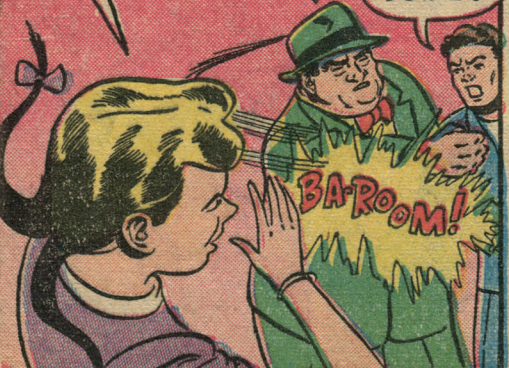
COME ON!! LET'S GO BEFORE THE KID STARTS SQUAWKIN' AND I LOSE MY TEMPER!!



WAH-- WAH-- SOB-- GO AWAY!!!

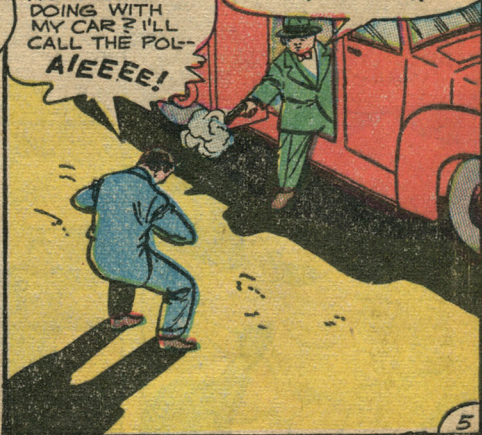
I TOLD YOU TO KEEP QUIET!

WHAT'S GOING ON HERE? WHAT ARE YOU DOING?



WHO ARE YOU AND WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITH MY CAR? I'LL CALL THE POL-- AIEEEE!

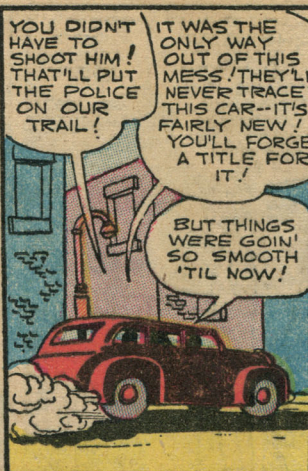
YOU WON'T CALL ANYBODY, MISTER!!





JACK--
OH NO!!

SOB-- MAN
CAME AND--
SHOOT DADDY
--AND TAKE
OUR NEW
CAR!!!



YOU DIDN'T
HAVE TO
SHOOT HIM!
THAT'LL PUT
THE POLICE
ON OUR
TRAIL!

IT WAS THE
ONLY WAY
OUT OF THIS
MESS! THEY'LL
NEVER TRACE
THIS CAR--IT'S
FAIRLY NEW!
YOU'LL FORGE
A TITLE FOR
IT!

BUT THINGS
WERE GOIN'
SO SMOOTH
'TIL NOW!



IF YOU DON'T
LIKE THE
WAY I HANDLE
THINGS
--YOU KNOW
WHAT YOU
CAN DO!

KEEP DRIVING,
BERT! WE'RE
NOT SAFE 'TILL
WE CAN GET
BACK TO OUR
GARAGE!

WHEN THE NEWS OF THE SHOOTING REACHED HEADQUARTERS, ATTORNEY HALL WAS PUZZLED!

JACK STEEN WAS TOO ILL TO TALK BUT HIS WIFE GAVE HALL THE INFORMATION NEEDED!



IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE
THE WORK OF THE SAME
GANG! THEY'VE NEVER
SHOT ANYONE BEFORE,
AND THEY NEVER STOLE
A CAR SO BOLDLY!!

THEY MAY HAVE BEEN
SO SWELL HEADED AT
THEIR SUCCESSES
THAT THEY OVERDID
THINGS! THE MAN'S
IN THE HOSPITAL!!
HE'S GOING TO PULL
THROUGH! WE BET-
TER TALK TO HIM!



I KNOW THIS IS HARD
FOR YOU, BUT I
MUST KNOW WHERE
YOUR HUSBAND
BOUGHT THE
CAR!!

FROM A LEGITI-
MATE FIRM--
ALBERT BROWN
ON SMITH ST.!!!
WHY? WHAT HAS
THAT GOT TO DO
WITH--THIS AWFUL
CRIME?



WE HAVE REASON TO
BELIEVE THAT THE
CROOKS ARE CON-
NECTED WITH THE
FIRM THAT SOLD
YOU THE CAR! OTHER-
WISE THEY WOULD
NOT HAVE HAD THE
KEY!!

OH! PLEASE
--PLEASE
FIND
THEM!!



LATER---
WHAT ARE YOU SO
HAPPY ABOUT?
YOU LOOK LIKE
THE CAT THAT
SWALLOWED
THE CANARY!!

I'VE GOT A CLUE,
AND IT'S A WHOPPER!
LET'S GET BACK TO
OUR OFFICE AND I'LL
SHOW YOU!

AT THE POLICE STATION!

I QUESTIONED ANOTHER MAN WHOSE CAR WAS STOLEN, AND HE BOUGHT HIS CAR FROM ALBERT BROWNER ON SMITH STREET! THERE WAS NO SUCH DEALER AT THAT ADDRESS!!

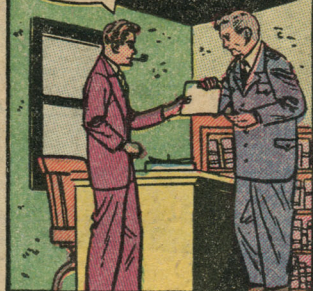
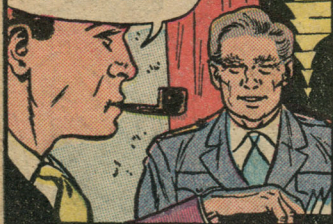
THEN ALBERT BROWN AND ALBERT BROWNER ARE THE SAME MAN!!

THAT'S RIGHT! HE USED SIMILAR NAMES TO MAKE THE FORGING OF BILLS AND TITLES EASIER!

PRETTY GOOD FORGING JOBS!

IT'S A CLEVER GANG, AND MY HUNCH IS THAT BROWN AND BROWNER ARE ----

BERT SANEY!
THAT'S A PICTURE OF SANEY!



RIGHT! I THOUGHT THAT IT WAS TOO MUCH OF A COINCIDENCE THAT ALL THESE CAR THEFTS STARTED AGAIN IMMEDIATELY AFTER SANEY AND HIS MEN WERE RELEASED FROM PRISON! NOW I NEED **PROOF!**



HALL GOT HIS PROOF BY SHOWING THE PICTURE OF SANEY TO ALL THE VICTIMS OF THE CAR THIEVES! THEY ALL IDENTIFIED SANEY AS THE MAN WHO HAD SOLD THEM THEIR CAR!

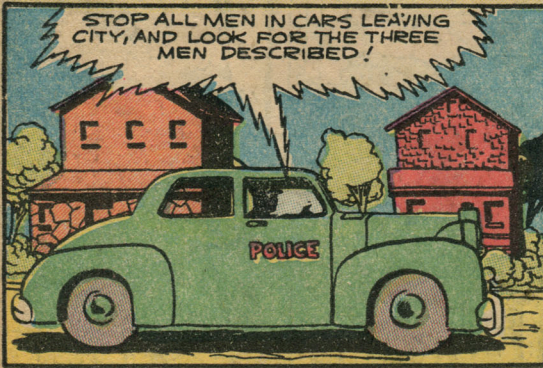
THAT'S HIM! THAT'S THE MAN WHO SOLD ME MY CAR! HE HAD TWO OTHER MEN WORKING FOR HIM!

PROBABLY THE TWO WHO WERE RELEASED FROM LEAVENWORTH THE SAME TIME HE WAS, CAPTAIN! NOW ALL WE HAVE TO DO IS **FIND SANEY!!**



ONCE THE WHEELS OF THE LAW ARE SET IN MOTION, THE CRIMINAL IN QUESTION IS AS GOOD AS CAUGHT! SANEY'S DESCRIPTION AS WELL AS JOE'S AND SI'S WERE GIVEN TO ALL PATROLMEN WHO KEPT A LOOKOUT FOR THE THREE MEN ON ALL ROADS OUT OF CHICAGO!

THE POLICE WERE WISE TO THINK THAT SANEY MIGHT TRY TO LEAVE CHICAGO! AT HIS HIDEOUT ----



STOP ALL MEN IN CARS LEAVING CITY, AND LOOK FOR THE THREE MEN DESCRIBED!

THIS LYIN' LOW IS GETTIN' ME DOWN! I'M BORED!

THINGS ARE TOO HOT FOR US TO TRY ANYTHIN' NOW, BERT! THERE'S NOthin' WE CAN DO!



I THINK WE SHOULD LEAVE CHICAGO AND TRY OUR RACKET IN ANOTHER CITY!

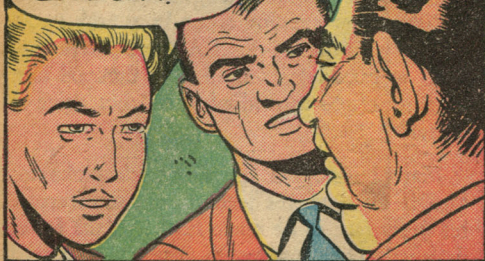
AND LEAVE A GARAGE WITH TWENTY-ONE CARS HERE TO ROT?



TWENTY-ONE CARS!
I DIDN'T REALIZE WE
WERE DOING SO
WELL!

YEAH! BUT A
LOT OF GOOD
THEY DO US
SITTING IN A
GARAGE!

LIKE I SAY, LET'S
LEAVE AND START
SOMEWHERE ELSE!
WE CAN COME
BACK WHEN THINGS
COOL OFF!!



THEY FINALLY DECIDED TO LEAVE, BUT THE
PATROL CARS WERE STILL ON THE ALERT!

WHAT'S THE
MATTER,
JOE? YOU
NERVOUS?

I COULD SWEAR
THERE'S A PO-
LICE CAR
FOLLOWING
US!

AW, YOU'RE
IMAGINING
THINGS!



BUT THE POLICE CAR WAS FOL-
LOWING THEM, EXPECTING THEM
TO STOP TO BE QUESTIONED.!!
WHEN BERT ONLY DROVE FASTER,
THE COPS REALIZED THAT
SOMETHING FUNNY WAS GOING
ON AND RADIOED A CAR AHEAD
TO BLOCK THE ROAD!

I TOLD YA
SO! WE'LL
HAVE TO
STOP!
WE'RE
GONERS!

OH, NO WE WON'T!
THAT DUMB COPPER
IS GON'NA BE SOR-
RY HE'S PLAYING
WITH ME!



BERT, DON'T!
WE'LL ALL BE
KILLED! BERT!

CRASH!

COME ON, MURDERER!
COME OUT WITH YOUR
ARMS RAISED! YOU IN
THE BACK, TOO!!

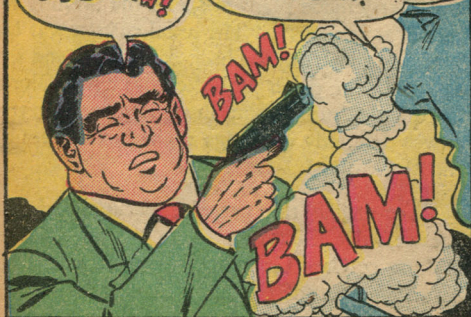


REALIZING THAT HE HAD KILLED A COP
AND WOULD FACE A MURDER RAP
TOO, BERT DECIDED TO MAKE ONE MORE
TRY FOR FREEDOM! AS HE GOT OUT HE
SHOT THE COP BUT HIS ARM WAS SHAKY---

BERT SANEY WAS SENTENCED TO LIFE IM-
PRISONMENT, AND SI GREENE AND JOE
BLAKE WERE GIVEN TWENTY YEARS!!

I'LL KILL---
AGGHH!

THAT'S ALL THE KILLING
YOU'RE GOING TO DO---
EVER!!



ANOTHER CASE THAT PROVES THAT
CRIME DOESN'T PAY! SURE, BERT SANEY
RODE HIGH FOR A WHILE, BUT WHAT
GOOD IS IT DOING HIM, NOW? AT
THIS VERY MINUTE HE'S IN JAIL,
SERVING A SENTENCE THAT'LL
END WITH HIS DEATH! HE'S
PAYING--- WITH HIS
LIFE!!



THE END--

SOME DAY I'LL KILL HER!

MARTY MCGOWAN leaned back in the dirty over-stuffed chair and flicked ashes from his short cigar on the not-too clean floor. "God, what a stinkin' hole this is!" His fat face registered disgust and annoyance as his small pig-like eyes darted about the room. It was a small room, every corner and piece of furniture shrieked *CHEAP!* Faded muslin draperies hung listlessly in front of the dusty windows which admitted not a breath of air into the dark, dingy apartment. The smell of stale beer and bacon grease rent the space with unrelenting force. Marty wrinkled his nose with distaste. "For God's sake, Gloria, can't you do something to make this dump livable?"

Gloria McGowan walked out of the bathroom and eyed her husband with ill-concealed dislike. "Sure, Handsome, I could do lots to this fire-trap if you'd make a little dough instead of sitting on your fat posterior all the time!" A few years back Gloria McGowan might have been an attractive woman, however, too much beer, too many late hours and too little exercise had taken their toll on her. Her face seemed to sag all over, culminating into a thick double chin while the snug fit of her crumpled housedress did little to add anything to the unattractive picture she made.

Marty watched his wife as she turned and walked back to the bathroom. "Don't push me too far, *BABY!* I've made big dough before and I'll make it again!"

Gloria turned her head and made one final thrust before slamming the door. "Sure, sure, Bright-Eyes, but when? Big talk don't pay the rent!"

Left to his own devices again, Marty returned to his silent brooding. "I just don't understand that dizzy dame! She hates my guts and yet she won't let me go! Everytime I threaten to leave she says she'll tell the cops about my part in that bank job three years ago!—It don't make sense! Some day I'm gonna get so mad I'll kill her and —" Marty halted his thoughts and looked guiltily about the room, almost as if he were afraid some shadow might have been reading his mind. After assuring himself that no one could possibly know

what he'd been thinking Marty let his reflections return to the pleasant thought of a *dead Gloria!* "Without her hanging around my neck I could probably hit the big-time! A dame like her ain't good to nobody! I should have dumped her a long time ago instead of lettin' her drive me crazy!"

Marty leaned back and blew thick smoke rings into the air above his head. An oily smirk crossed his puffy face as he made further plans for the destruction of his wife. Oh, it would be a cinch, he was sure of that! He decided he'd get one of the boys from the old mob to help him. Hank Holtz had always disliked Gloria—She'd constantly poked fun at Hank's receding hair line—He'd probably be more than happy to see Gloria shelved on a slab in a nice cool morgue! "Yeah, I'll go see Hank tomorrow! He's a good boy—besides, for a sawbuck he'd probably knock off his old lady!"

That night, for the first time in months, Marty was pleasant to Gloria.—And surprisingly enough, she was agreeable back. During dinner they actually smiled at one another and after the meal laughingly did the dishes together. "Ya know, Marty honey, when you're sweet like this, I kinda start lovin' you all over again!"

Marty patted Gloria's head playfully and grinned toothily. "That's the way it's gonna be from now on in, Baby! No more fights and yellin' at each other."

Following the dishes another minor miracle took place in the McGowan household.—Gloria and Marty made plans to spend the evening together at the movies! The usual custom was for Marty to sneak out the back door and spend the night playing poker with the boys while Gloria got quietly drunk within the apartment. Oh, yes, it was definitely a strange night in the lives of the McGowans!

Once inside the peaceful darkness of the theatre, with Gloria enrapt in the screen-love-making of Cary Grant, Marty concentrated on his wifeless future. He snuggled back deep in the

seat as he visualized himself basking on the shores of Miami Beach or perhaps even Havana. He'd always wanted to see Cuba. Now, with Gloria out of the way, and maybe a cute little redhead on his arm, he would! The two hours in the movie passed quickly for both McGowans!

The following morning, after bidding Gloria a tender farewell, Marty sought out his friend Hank Holtz. He found the rapidly balding little man in the back room of Al's Pool Hall. Without any waste of words Marty let Hank know what he wanted. "Hank, I need your help. I want to get rid of Gloria! You can make a fast fifty bucks, without worrying about getting caught, just by doing me a little favor."

Hank Holtz's eyes narrowed down to thin slits and he grinned humorlessly. "It'll be a pleasure, Marty! I never could stand that wacky dame anyhow! What's the deal?"

Marty's plan was simple, direct and deadly! Late that evening he and Gloria would go for a walk into a deserted section of town near the gas works. Hank would be parked nearby waiting for them. Marty would stop to light a cigar and wait until there were no passers-by or other cars in the vicinity. — Then he and Gloria would start crossing the street. As they were in the middle of the intersection Hank would roar up in his high-powered car, Marty would shove Gloria in its path and then leap back. A scream and then a broken body would be the only remnants of Gloria McGowan!

Hank nodded his approval of the scheme and the two men shook hands. "Okay, Marty, it's a deal. I'll be waiting down on Grove St. about midnight!"

Marty McGowan whistled contentedly as he walked down the dirty corridor toward his apartment. By tomorrow at this time he would be a free man—but, of course, keeping up the pretense of a grief-stricken husband! It was so easy.—Just a simple matter of a hit-and-run driver! Marty chided himself for not having thought of it before.

Gloria greeted Marty at the door with a wide smile. Instead of the customary soiled housedress she usually wore, a clean, pale blue cotton adorned her ample frame. "Gee, Honey, I'm glad you're home. I've got your lunch all ready!"

The McGowans spent a quiet day at home and after dinner settled down for a game of gin rummy. Even his loss of 1500 points to Gloria on the last set didn't deflate Marty's excellent humor. He yawned lazily as he put the cards away. "C'mon, Baby, let's go for a walk. The air's so stuffy in here that it's hard to breathe!"

Everything went smoothly—just as Marty had planned! He and Gloria strolled casually down the quiet streets with Marty leading them in the direction of the gas works. At two minutes before twelve Marty paused under a street lamp to light a fresh, long, black cigar. His eyes darted quickly up and down the long street. It was perfect, there wasn't a soul in sight. A block away the outline of a large car could be seen vaguely outlined in the shadows. The sound of its powerful motor could be heard idling.—Hank was on the job!

As Marty took a firm grip on Gloria's shoulder to lead her across the intersection the car came hurtling from its position down the block. Marty almost laughed aloud as the blazing headlights came closer and closer. "This is it, Baby!"

A woman's piercing scream rent the air and then the sickening sound of a body being crushed against the cement pavement.

Twenty minutes later Police Detective Russell Harris faced the sobbing woman sympathetically. "Please, Mrs. McGowan, try to calm yourself and tell us what happened."

Gloria McGowan looked up with tearful eyes. "We were crossing the street when I felt the heel of my shoe break. I stumbled to the side and M-Marty who was holding my shoulder fell forward into the path of the car! I-It was horrible!" Detective Harris turned from Gloria McGowan to a sergeant who was standing nearby. "Okay, Vic, that's the story. Marty McGowan was killed by a hit-and-run driver!"

DEATH HELD THE WHIP AND BROUGHT IT CRACKING DOWN ON MOUNT AND JOCKEY ALIKE! THE EAGER JOCKEY WAS PINT-SIZED RUBE MORGAN OF THE EXPENSIVE TASTES AND THE NONE-TOO-HOT RIDING RECORD! RUBE EAGERLY RACED WITH DEATH FOR A FLING AT THE ILLICIT RICHES THAT AWAIT THE UNSCRUPULOUS OF THE RACE WORLD! WHEN THE HORSE'S RACED NECK AND NECK, THE GAMBLERS KNEW THAT...

DEATH HELD THE WHIP..



A HOT JULY DAY IN 1943, AND THE GAMBLERS HAD METED DEATH OUT TO A JOCKEY WHO HAD DOUBLE-CROSSED THEM...

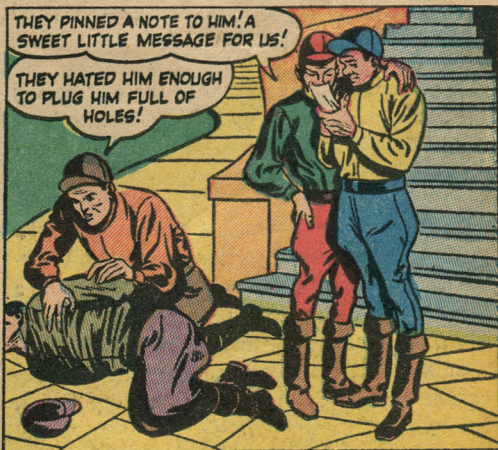
IT'S SPARROW CARTER; SEE IF YOU CAN GET THE LICENSE NUMBER ON THAT CAR!

IT'S NO USE, RUBE! IF WE TURNED 'EM IN, IT'D BE A SURE TICKET TO A ONE WAY RIDE!



THEY PINNED A NOTE TO HIM; A SWEET LITTLE MESSAGE FOR US!

THEY HATED HIM ENOUGH TO PLUG HIM FULL OF HOLES!



WHEN SPARROW CARTER A JOCKEY WHOSE BODY WAS RIDDLED WITH BULLETS, WAS PITCHED OUT FROM A SPEEDING CAR, RUBE MORGAN KNEW THAT MURDER WAS THE JOCKEY RIDING THAT DAY...

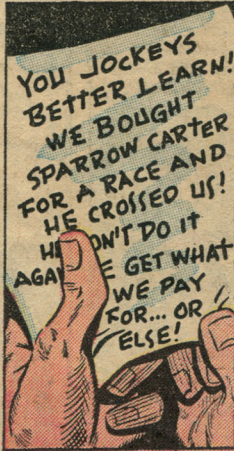
WHAT DOES THE NOTE SAY, RUBE?

TAKE A LOOK AT IT! READ IT FOR YOURSELF!

I'LL GO IN AND CALL THE COPS!



YOU JOCKEYS BETTER LEARN! WE BOUGHT SPARROW CARTER FOR A RACE AND HE CROSSED US! HE DON'T DO IT AGAIN! WE GET WHAT WE PAY FOR... OR ELSE!

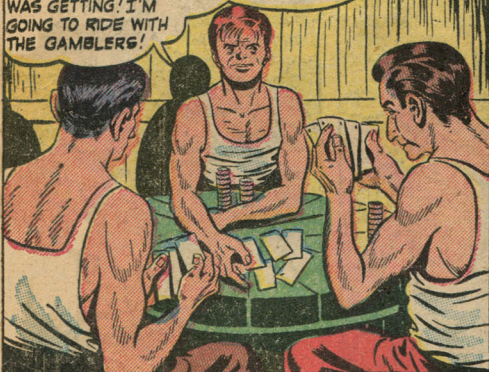


LATER... YOU WOULDN'T CATCH ME TOUCHING THE MONEY THAT CARTER GOT!

I DON'T KNOW... I'D LIKE TO SMELL THE STUFF!



FULL HOUSE! I TAKE THE HAND JUST LIKE I'M GONNA CUT MYSELF IN FOR A SLICE OF THE CROOKED DOUGH THAT SPARROW CARTER WAS GETTING! I'M GOING TO RIDE WITH THE GAMBLERS!



I'LL THROW ANY RACE FOR HARD CASH! AND... IF I SHOULD CROSS THE GAMBLERS I'M SMART ENOUGH TO GET OUT WITH MINE, AND KEEP 'EM LOOKING TOO!

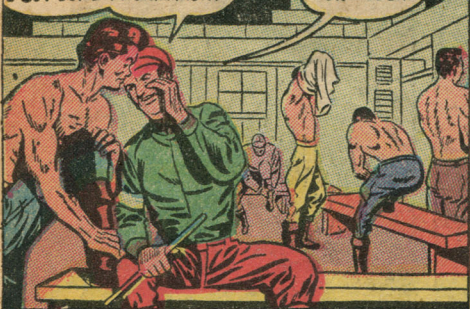
GOTTA GET UP AT SIX TO EXERCISE A MOUNT!



LESS THAN A WEEK LATER, IN THE JOCKEY'S DRESSING ROOM OF A RACE TRACK IN NEW JERSEY...

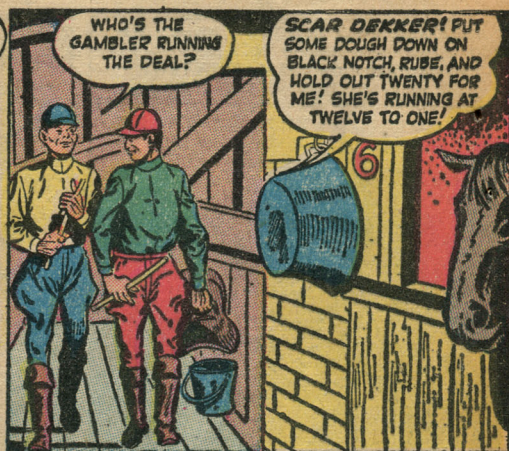
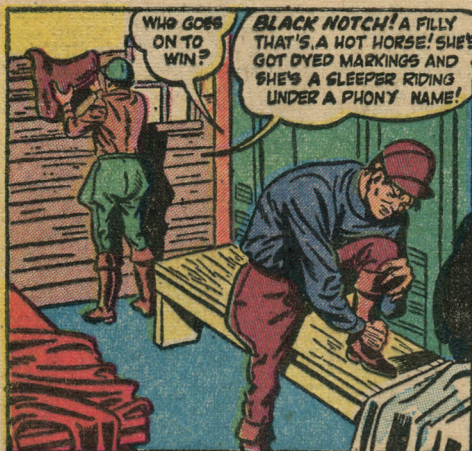
KEEP IT QUIET, RUBE, BUT IF YA WANNA GET IN WITH THE SMART MONEY AND PICK UP SOME CHANGE... I GOT SOME INFORMATION!

WHAT'S THE TIP, FLEMING? I'M ALWAYS HOT FOR DOUGH!

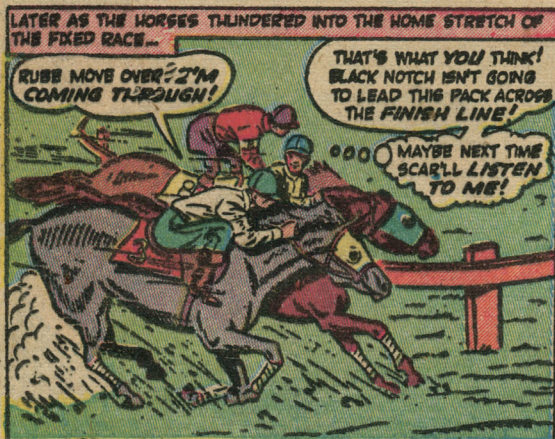
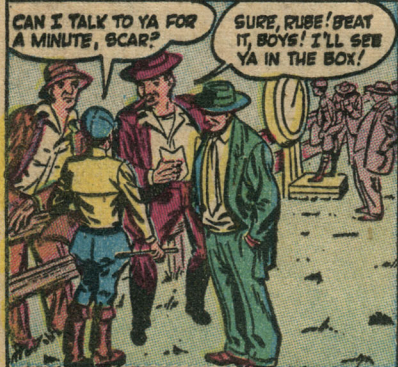


GIDEON'S UP ON THE FAVORITE! A THREE TO FIVE SHOT! HE DOESN'T KNOW IT BUT HE'S NOT GOING TO WIN! I'M GETTING PAID TO BOX HIM IN THE STRETCH!





RUBE MORGAN'S BLOOD RAN HEAVY WITH GREED. HE WAS OUT TO MAKE A KILLING ON THE RACE ONCE HE HAD TAKEN THE SCENT...





WHEN YOU BOXED ME IN YOU PUT **YOUR NAME ON A FRESH BAG OF CEMENT, RUBE!** I HOPE YOU LIKE WEARING A STIFF SUIT!

I CAN TAKE CARE OF MYSELF, **WISE GUY!**



AT DAWN THE NEXT MORNING RUBE MORGAN WAS OUT WITH HIS STABLE BOY, RUNNING TO KEEP HIS WEIGHT DOWN...

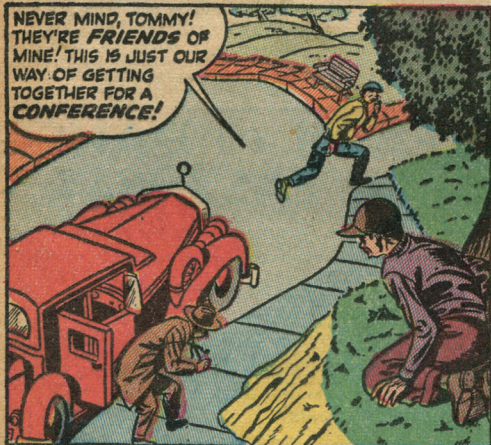
WHATSA MATTER, TOMMY? YER ACTING AWFUL FUNNY!

THERE'S A CAR BEEN FOLLOWING US, MR. MORGAN! BEEN STICKIN' LIKE GLUE FOR THE LAST HALF MILE!

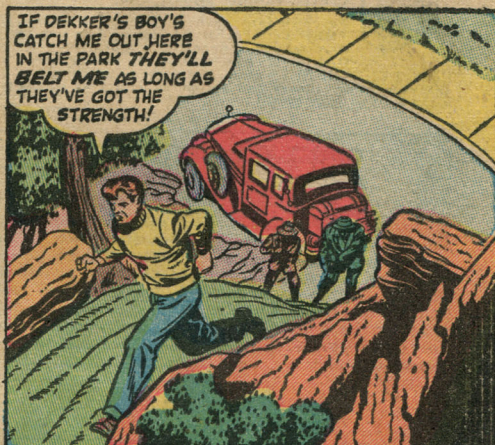


DROP BACK AND OUT TOMMY! THIS IS **MY AFFAIR!** I'LL HANDLE IT ALONE! I'M GOING TO CUT THROUGH THE PARK!

WANT ME TO GET THE COPS, MR. MORGAN?



NEVER MIND, TOMMY! THEY'RE **FRIENDS** OF MINE! THIS IS JUST OUR WAY OF GETTING TOGETHER FOR A **CONFERENCE!**



IF DEKKER'S BOY'S CATCH ME OUT HERE IN THE PARK **THEY'LL BELT ME** AS LONG AS THEY'VE GOT THE **STRENGTH!**



THE LITTLE PUNK GIVE US THE SLIP!

HE'S GOT TO BE AROUND HERE SOMEWHERE! LET'S GET OFF THE PATH AND LOOK THROUGH THE WOODS!



LATER...

BETTER GET OUT OF TOWN! DEKKER'LL COOL OFF IF I CAN BUY ENOUGH TIME! **THEN MAYBE I CAN TALK BUSINESS TO HIM!**



SCAR! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

C'MON IN, RUBE! WE'RE MAKING A LITTLE PARTY FOR YOU IN HONOR OF THE JOB YA DID IN **BOXING UP BLACK NOTCH!**

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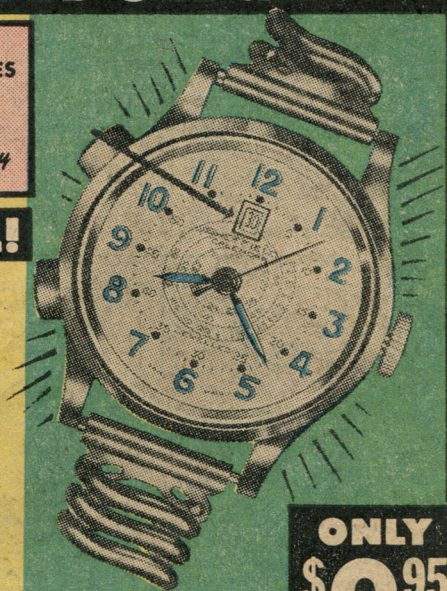
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THIS IS FOR PROPOSITIONING ME IN THE FIRST PLACE! YOU HAD NO BUSINESS TRYING TO CUT YOURSELF IN FOR A PIECE OF A RACE I WAS FIXING!



THIS IS FOR THE DOUGH I LOST BECAUSE YOU **CROSSED ME UP!** ALL RIGHT... SMILEY... YOU TAKE OVER!

ASH!



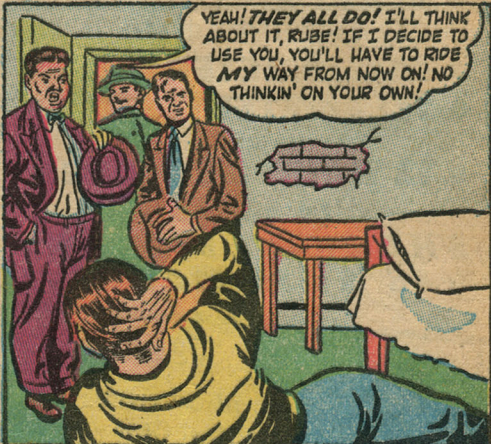
ONLY REASON I AIN'T KILLIN' YA RIGHT NOW IS BECAUSE YER LITTLE AND A NICE BOY, RUBE! **HIT HIM AGAIN SMILEY!** SHOW HIM HOW **FUNNY** HIS LITTLE STUNT WAS!



ALL I WANTED, SCAR, WAS A CHANCE TO RIDE FOR YOU! SHOW YOU I'M YOUR KIND OF GUY! **I WANTED TO CUT MYSELF IN ON THE BIG DOUGH!**



YEAH! **THEY ALL DO!** I'LL THINK ABOUT IT, RUBE! IF I DECIDE TO USE YOU, YOU'LL HAVE TO RIDE **MY WAY FROM NOW ON!** NO THINKIN' ON YOUR OWN!



SCAR DECKER, THE BIG TIME GAMBLER, DECIDED TO USE RUBE MORGAN! SLOWLY GOOD MOUNTS STARTED TO FLOW RUBE'S WAY! SCAR ESTABLISHED HIS REPUTATION AS A GOOD JOCKEY FOR THE KILLING HE WAS PLANNING...



THAT WAS A NICE RIDE, RUBE!

YEAH! THAT WAS A **VERY NICE** RIDE, RUBE! COULDN'T HAVE BEEN BETTER FOR WHAT WERE THINKING OF!



LATER AT A RACE TRACK IN LONG ISLAND WHERE RUBE MORGAN HAD BEEN UP ON A WINNING HORSE SECURED FOR HIM BY SCAR DEKKER...

RUBE, IT'S ABOUT TIME WE HAD A LONG TALK! AFTER YOU FINISH CHECKIN' IN COME ON OUT TO MY NIGHT CLUB! NOBODY THERE BUT THE BAND REHEARSING THIS TIME OF THE DAY! ONE OF THE BOYS'LL GIVE YOU A RIDE!

OKAY, SCAR!



AT DECKER'S NIGHT CLUB...

A LONELY NIGHT, A HOARSE AND THROBBING CRY...

THAT REALLY IS SOMETHING!

GLAD YOU LIKE JEANIE! BUT LET'S GET DOWN TO BUSINESS, RUBE! IT'S ABOUT TIME MY INVESTMENT IN YOU BEGAN TO PAY OFF!



IN THE FLETCHER HANDICAP, YOU'LL BE UP ON THE FAVORITE, BIG TIME! THERE'S A GRAND! PULL UP ON THE REINS COMING INTO THE LAST TURN!

WHO GOES ON TO WIN, SCAR?



NIGHT OWL! SHE'S A SLEEPER AND SHE'LL BE RIDING AT ABOUT EIGHT TO ONE!

YOU KNOW WHERE THIS GRAND IS GOING, SCAR! ON THE NOSE!



A MINUTE LATER...

WHAT'S HIS NAME, SCAR?

THAT RUNT IS RUBE MORGAN, THE JOCKEY! TAKE A GOOD LOOK AT HIM! ONE OF THESE DAYS I MIGHT WANT YOU TO KNOW HIM BETTER!

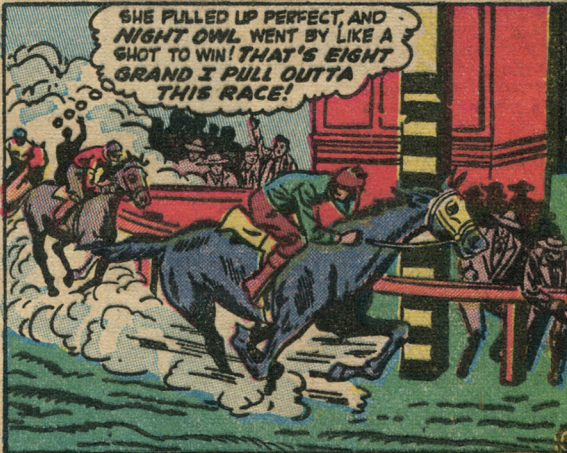


LATE IN 1943, THE FLETCHER HANDICAP WAS RUN OFF, AND COMING INTO THE HOME STRETCH, RUBE MORGAN SEEMED TO BE BOOTING HOME A WINNER...

CAN'T OVER DO IT... THE JUDGE'LL SPOT ME PULLING UP!



SHE PULLED UP PERFECT, AND NIGHT OWL WENT BY LIKE A SHOT TO WIN! THAT'S EIGHT GRAND I PULL OUTTA THIS RACE!



RUBE MORGAN LIKED TO LIVE WELL, AND HE SPENT HIS WINNINGS WITH A FREE HAND! HIS BANK ROLL BEGAN TO MELT AWAY AS HE SPENT NIGHT AFTER NIGHT IN THE CLUB OWNED BY SCAR DEKKER...

THE LITTLE JOCKEY IS BLOWING HIS MONEY FAST, JEANIE! YOU BETTER GET TO KNOW HIM BEFORE HE GETS OUT OF CONTROL!

IT WON'T TAKE ME LONG, SCAR!



HOW'S THE GREAT JOCKEY, RUBE?

THAT FLETCHER HANDICAP PUT ME IN YOUR CLASS, JEANIE! NOW I GOT THE MONEY TO BURN ON SOMEBODY LIKE YOU! SUPPOSE WE TAKE OFF AFTER YOUR MIDNIGHT SHOW, AND REALLY HAVE SOME FUN!



GO AHEAD, JEANIE! PLENTY MORE WHERE THAT CAME FROM! AND I ALWAYS KNOW HOW TO GET MORE!

MY LUCK'LL CHANGE, RUBE! YOU WATCH! I'LL START WINNING!



C'MON, KID! LET'S CHANGE YOUR LUCK AT THE DICE TABLE! IF WE RUN OUTTA THE STUFF I CAN WRITE 'EM A CHECK!

THERE'S ALWAYS TOMORROW NIGHT IF WE DON'T BREAK AHEAD TONIGHT, RUBE!



SWIFTLY AND SURELY RUBE MORGAN BURNED HIS ROLL AWAY ON THE SINGER! HE WAS RIPE FOR A BIG KILLING ON A FIXED RACE...JUST THE HUNGRY KIND OF A JOCKEY THAT SCAR DEKKER WANTED...

THIS IS A BIG ONE, RUBE! THE PRICE IS DOUBLED... TWO GRAND! YOU'LL BE UP ON BIG MAN, THE HOTTEST HORSE THERE IS RIGHT NOW! IN THE WORLD FAMOUS GREEN BOWLER HANDICAP!

I CAN USE THE DOUGH, SCAR! WHO DO I HOLD BACK FOR?



FLAME! A LONG SHOT NOBODY EVER HEARD OF! DON'T MAKE ANY MISTAKES ON THIS JOB, RUBE! A LOT OF DOUGH IS GOING TO RIDE WITH THIS HORSE!

DON'T WORRY, MINE WILL TOO!



A FEW NIGHTS BEFORE THE GREEN BOWLER HANDICAP, RUBE MORGAN WENT ON A BENDER THAT WAS TO BE FELT THROUGHOUT THE RACING WORLD...

BIG TIME TONIGHT, MR. MORGAN? YOU BETTER TAKE IT EASY FOR THAT GREEN BOWLER HANDICAP! THAT'S A BIG RACE AND YOU'RE THE SURE WINNER!



SURE WINNER? THAT'S A--HIC!-- LAUGH! YOU KNOW AS WELL AS I DO THAT THE FIX IS IN--HIC!-- FOR FLAME TO COME THROUGH AND WIN!

FLAME! THANKS FOR THE TIP, MR. MORGAN! I SURE CAN USE IT!



WORD OF THE FIX SPREAD LIKE WILDFIRE! OVER NIGHT, SCAR DEKKER'S DEAL WAS QUEERED! THE ODDS ON FLAME TUMBLED AS THE BOOK MAKERS SOUGHT TO PROTECT THEMSELVES! SCAR DEKKER'S VENGEANCE WAS SWIFT...



SHOOTING OFF YER MOUTH IS GONNA COST ME CLOSE TO A HUNDRED GRAND!

I GOT TOO MUCH DOUGH ON FLAME TO SWITCH! THE REST OF MY BANKROLL GOES DOWN AT THE SHORT ODDS EVEN THOUGH I WON'T WIN AS MUCH! YOU RIDE THAT RACE THE WAY WE PLANNED...OR WHAT YOU'RE GETTING NOW WILL BE KISSES TO WHAT YOU'LL GET LATER!



BITTER OVER HIS BEATING, RUBE MORGAN MADE HIS OWN PLANS FOR REVENGE...

ALL I COULD SCRAPE UP ON SHORT NOTICE... THREE AND A HALF GRAND! I'LL GIVE DEKKER THE WORKS AND PULL OUT WITH SOME DOUGH FOR MYSELF!



PUT IT DOWN ON BIG MAN ON THE NOSE TO WIN!

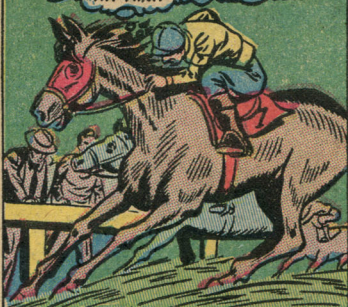
THIS IS GONNA BE A SWEET DOUBLE-CROSS! AND I'M SMART ENOUGH TO GET AWAY WITH IT! I WON'T MESS UP THE WAY SPARROW CARTER DID!

BIG MAN ON THE NOSE!



UP ON THE INVINCIBLE BIG MAN RUBE MORGAN WAS A SURE WINNER...

I'VE GOT TO COLLECT MY WINNINGS AND BEAT IT BACK TO THE HOTEL FAST BEFORE SCAR REALIZES WHAT'S HIT HIM!



LATER... I CAN FEEL SCAR'S HOT BREATH ON MY NECK! IF I CAN BEAT IT DOWN SOUTH AND LOSE MYSELF AROUND THE TRACKS DOWN THERE, I'LL BE BUYING TIME!

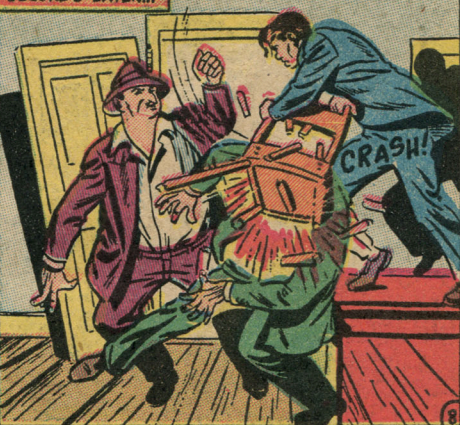


AT THAT VERY MOMENT IN RUBE MORGAN'S HOTEL...

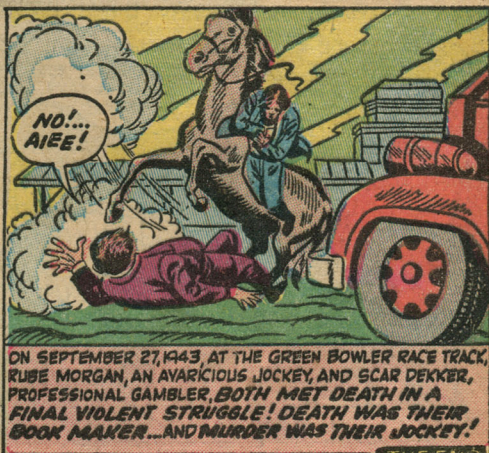
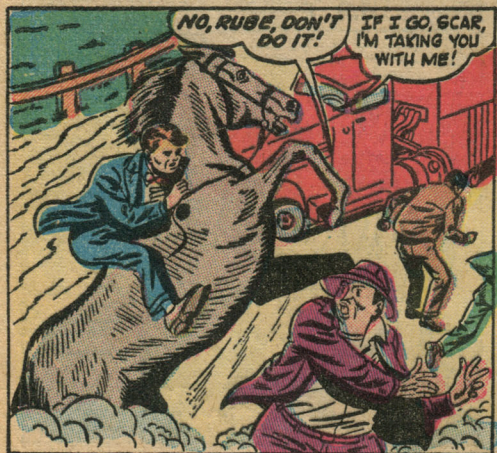
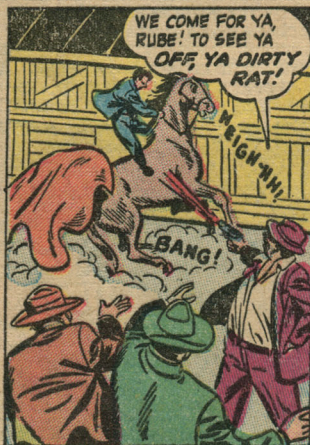


KEEP YER EYE ON THE ELEVATOR! DON'T LET RUBE PAST YOU! WE'LL TAKE THE STAIRS!

SECONDS LATER...



CRASH!

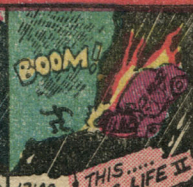
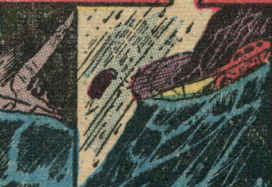


THREE LIVES-THREE DEATHS

ESCAPED CONVICT X....HAD 3 LIVES... HE LIVED THEM....IN 3 HOURS!

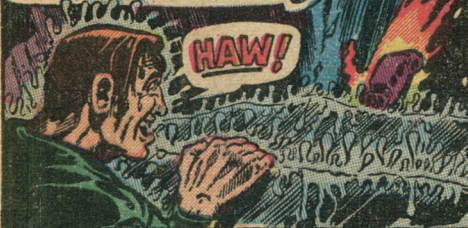
THIS....LIFE I
11:30...
POLICE BULLETIN—
CONVICT X, WHO WAS
TO BE EXECUTED HERE
AT 12:00.....ESCAPED
FROM OUR PRISON
HERE AT 11:30.
HE IS IN A STOLEN
CAR AND HE IS

CRASH



HE MUST OF BEEN
DOING BETTER
THAN '80! AND IN
A STORM LIKE
THIS....HE MUST
HAVE BEEN
DESPERATE!
WOW! LOOK AT
THE DROP..AT LEAST 200 FT.!

YEAH, HE JUST FLEW OFF THIS
LEDGE! BOY! LOOK AT HIS CAR
BURN! THERES ONE THING SURE,
JOE.....THERES
GOING TO BE
VERY LITTLE OF
THAT GUY LEFT!



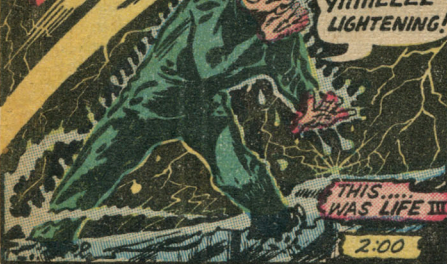
HAW!



HO HAW! HOHO HOHA HA HA
HA, HA, HA,
THEY'RE GONE!
GAVE ME UP FOR
DEAD! "NOBODY
COULD HAVE
SURVIVED THAT
FALL!" THEY'LL
SAY! HA, HA, HA
I'M FREE! HA,
I'M A FREE
MAN. I, I, I...
ESCAPED THE
CHAIR! HA,
HAH! HAH!

1:00
POLICE BULLETIN—
SAME CONVICT X
REPORTED HAVING
DRIVEN STOLEN
CAR OFF A 200 FT.
CLIFF...CAR IMMEDIATELY BURST IN
FLAMES...CONVICT BELIEVED
TO HAVE PERISHED

KER-RAK

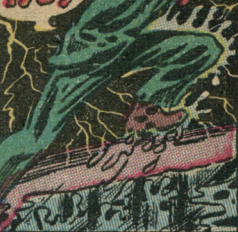


YIIIIIEEE LIGHTENING!

THIS.... WAS LIFE III

2:00

YAAAA! I'M BLIND!
IT'S HARD TO
SEE! AIEIE!
OH! NO! NO!
NO! NO!
NO!



YAHIIIIIEEEEEEE



SPLASH

WATER?? THE UNDERTOW...
IT'S PULLING ME OUT!
YIIII! SOMETHING'S
GOT MY FOOT!
WEEDS!
I'M TANGLED
IN WEEDS!
OH! NO, NO,
I CAN'T
DROWN!
NO, NO, NO
NOOOOOO



2:30

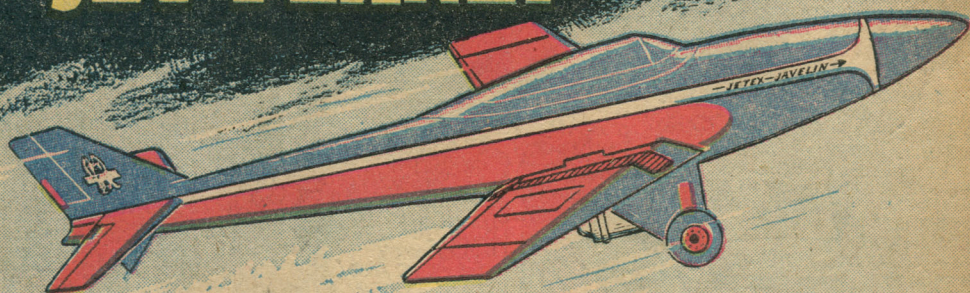
POLICE BULLETIN—
CONVICT X—FILES CLOSED—
WAS KILLED INSTANTLY IN
CAR CRASH....BELIEVE
RAIN AND WIND OF TITANIC
HURRICANE AND STORM
THAT HIT HERE, CARRIED
ALL REMAINS OF
CONVICT AWAY THAT
WOULD HAVE BEEN
LEFT.



**YES, WE KNOW
DIFFERENT!
WE KNOW CONVICT X DROWNED
IN A LAKE
QUITE FAR FROM WHERE HE SUPPOSEDLY
HAD PERISHED. BUT! ALWAYS REMEMBER, NO ONE ESCAPES
JUSTICE!**

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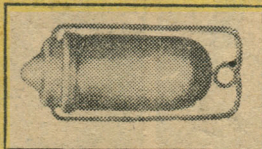
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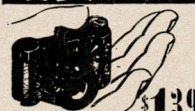
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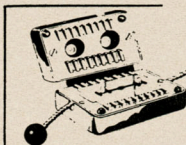


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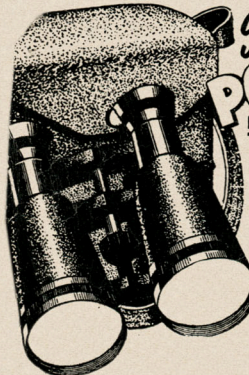
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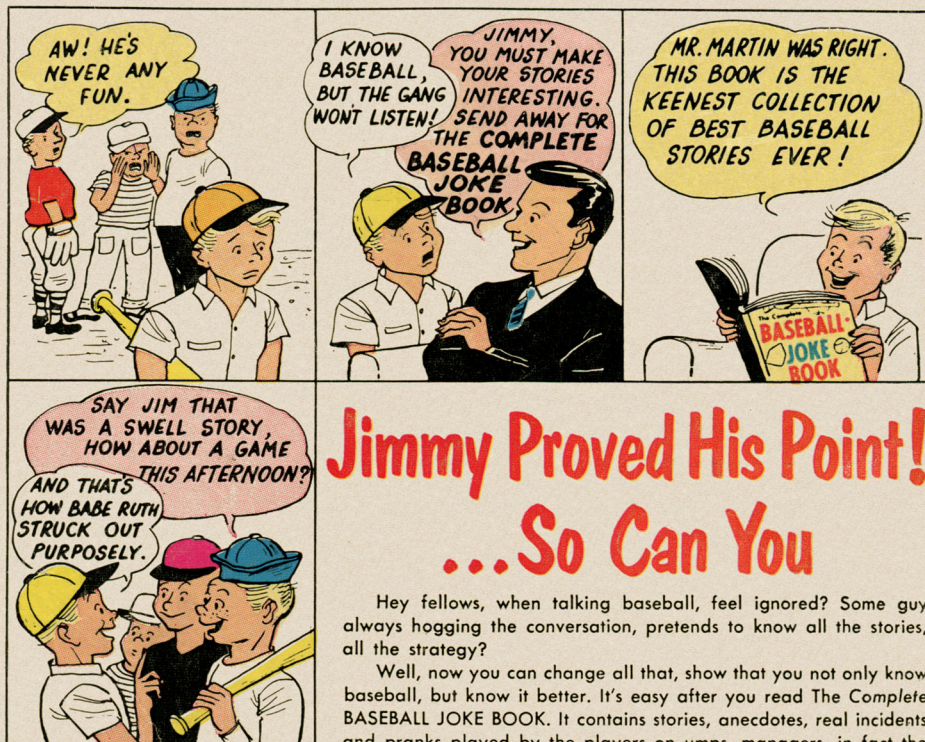
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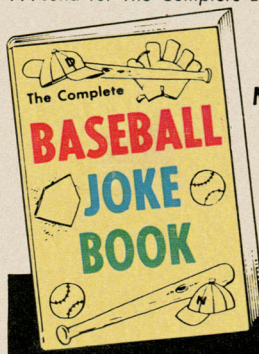
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